(a) the Government's efforts to recruit more minorities in the para-military forces;

(b) the total number of minorities that have been so far recruited and what is the total recruitment that will be made from minorities in these forces;

(c) whether para-military forces have also been directed to employ more and more in their respective forces; and

(d) if so, to what extent these para-military forces have implemented the directives of the Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) to (d) Central Police Forces carry out recruitment strictly in accordance with the policy laid down by the Government. Wide publicity is given to the programme of recruitment through Employment News and leading national and local newspapers particularly in the areas of concentration of minorities. One officer belonging to minority community is detailed as a member in the Recruitment Boards. During the last 3 years, 12166 persons belonging to minority communities have been recruited. The CPFs will continue the recruitment process in accordance with the Government policy in future also.

Stampede at CISF recruitment at Jaipur

697. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) had planned a recruitment camp for selection of 400 posts in CISF at Jaipur recently;

(b) whether there was an abnormal turn out of more than 60,000 candidates at the venue resulting in stampede and death of one candidate;

(c) whether CISF officials had sought the help of the local police to control and regulate the crowd;

(d) whether CISF had cancelled the recruitment on the scheduled date; and

(e) if so, whether the applicants/aspirants were notified in advance?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) Jaipur was one of the our centres for recruitment against 404 vacancies advertised for the post of Followers by CISF.

(b) Two candidates got seriously injured in the unexpected rush, one of whom succumbed to injuries.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) and (e) Following the incidents on 11.2.2008, recruitment was cancelled. Cancellation was announced and displayed at the venue.

Waiving off outstanding loan of Goa and Daman and Diu

698. SHRI SHANTARAM LAXMAN NAIK: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state: